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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.56, §1.97, §1.98, and MPEP §609, applicant encloses copies of the references listed on the attached PTO/SB/08A for consideration by the Examiner. The references have been cited in an office action relating to the corresponding Japanese patent application. This disclosure is within 3 months of the office action dated 25 March 2003.

The listed references are being cited only in the interests of candor and without any admission that they constitute statutory prior art or contain matter which anticipates the present invention or which would render the same obvious, either singly or in combination, to a person of ordinary skill in the art.

Favorable consideration is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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